



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF : Elizabeth Iftikhar  
TITLE : Multimedia Method and Apparatus For Teaching  
Language  
FILING DATE : May 22, 2000  
SERIAL NO. : 09/578,168  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : 3112-6

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Petition to Recover Fees

Dear Sir:

I received a *Notice of Abandonment* for the above referenced patent application dated May 6, 2002. The *Notice* recited that a *Notice to File Missing Parts* was mailed on August 2, 2000. I had waited for a response from the Office to the initial filing on May 22, 2000 and had never received anything except for my return post card and the Filing Receipt dated August 2, 2000. Most importantly, I never received the *Notice to File Missing Parts*.

On, July 25, 2002, I spoke to Mr. Joshua Day of the Office of Initial Patent Examination Division. He advised me to write to request that another copy of the *Notice to File Missing Parts* be sent so that I could file it along with my *Petition for Revival* of the application. I forwarded that request on July 25, 2002. I never received a response to my request. However, I was able

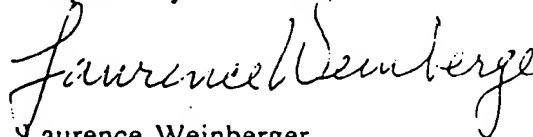
to get a faxed copy of the *Notice to File Missing Parts* which I have used with the accompanying *Response to Notice to File Missing Parts*.

I believe the Office erred in holding that the patent was abandoned. Specifically, I point to the fact that the *Notice of Abandonment* was sent 21 months after the *Notice to File Missing Parts* was presumably sent and 15 months after the end of any possible extension period which could have been obtained. I respectfully submit that it is not unreasonable to assume that there was an err by some clerical personnel who found the non-sent *Notice to File Missing Parts* 21 months after the filing receipt was sent and decided that, rather than send the *Notice to File Missing Parts*, to send out the *Notice of Abandonment* instead. I understand that this type of delay is not at all consistent with Office policy, and I certainly have never experienced this type of delay before.

The 21 month delay in sending out the *Notice of Abandonment*, and the failure to respond to my request for a copy of the *Notice to File Missing Parts* both contributed to the delay in filing the *Petition for Revival*. In view of the Office's failure to send a *Notice to File Missing Parts* and the subsequent 21 month delay in sending the *Notice of Abandonment*, I respectfully request that the petition fees accompanying the *Petition for Revival* and this *Petition* be refunded.

March 14, 2003

Respectfully submitted,



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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### MULTIMEDIA METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TEACHING LANGUAGE

the specification of which was filed on May 22, 2000 as application No. 09/578,168.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the content of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: NONE

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

U. S. Patent Application Ser. No. 60/135,303 filed May 21, 1999

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint Laurence A. Weinberger, USPTO Registration No. 27,965, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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*Inventor's signature:*

*Date:*

3.11.03



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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)  
0198

First named inventor: Elizabeth IFTIKHAR

Application No.: 09/578,168

Art Unit: 3712

Filed: 05/22/2000

Examiner: WA

Title: MULTI-MEDIA METHOD AND APPARATUS  
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The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the office notice or action plus an extensions of time actually obtained.

**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**

☒ Small entity-fee \$ 750 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m))

**2. Reply and/or fee**

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of application filing fees and surcharge. (Identify type of reply):

☐ has been filed previously on \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ is enclosed herewith.

B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ has been paid previously on \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ is enclosed herewith.

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.137(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.0 hour to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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## 3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form☒ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay☒ Other: PTO/SB/17, PTO-2038, Return Receipt Postcard

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION [37 CFR 1.8(a)]

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being:

☒ Deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.☐ Transmitted by facsimile on the date shown below to the United States Patent and Trademark Office at (571) 273-8300.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/578,168 Confirmation No. 5023  
Applicant : Elizabeth IFTIKHAR  
Filed : 05/22/2000  
TC/A.U. : 3712  
Examiner : N/A  
Docket No. : 0198  
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**RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §137(b)**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of her petition requesting revival under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) of the above-referenced application. In support of her request, Applicant submits the following herewith:

- 1) the remainder of the required reply in the form of filing fees and a late-filing surcharge;
- 2) Form PTO/SB/64, including a Statement of Unintentional Delay and petition fee;
- 3) a Declaration by Applicant explaining the entire delay until 2006;

- 4) a listing of telephone calls made by Applicant to former counsel, titled "Exhibit A: Telephone Calls from Elizabeth Iftikhar to Laurence Weinberger Between 14-July-2000 and 25-June-2004"; and
- 5) a copy of a letter from Applicant's former counsel responding to the dismissal of the petitions resubmitted 07/07/2006

Copies of the petitions resubmitted on 07/07/2006 are also included for convenience.

As the file wrapper shows no indication of any fee payments in connection with this application, Applicant submits via Forms PTO/SB/17 and PTO-2038 the following fees:

- 1) a basic filing fee (code 2011) of \$150;
- 2) a utility search fee (code 2111) of \$250;
- 3) a utility examination fee (code 2311) of \$100;
- 4) a late-filing surcharge (code 2051) of \$65;
- 3) a petition fee (code 2453) of \$750.

Applicant notes that no claim of small entity status appears in the application as filed, and that the fee calculation sheet in the file wrapper indicates fees due based on large entity status. However, as indicated on accompanying form PTO/SB/17 and reflected in the fee amounts above, applicant was a small entity under 37 C.F.R. 1.27 when the application was filed and remains a small entity as of this filing. Since the application was filed after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer or related fee is required.

As stated on Form PTO/SB/64 and explained in detail in both Applicant's Declaration and attached letter and petitions from former counsel, Applicant at no time intended to abandon her application. She made regular contact with former counsel and was reassured by former counsel that although some problems had arisen, such problems



were commonplace and would be worked out "in due course." Since it is possible that the prosecution of an application may span several years, Applicant became concerned about the status of her application only after she began having difficulty obtaining answers from former counsel regarding the application's progress.

Applicant's concerns compelled her to engage present counsel in November of 2005 and request that he investigate the status of the application. As described in the timeline below, delays in petition filing after November of 2005 resulting from difficulty in obtaining records from the USPTO (which had considerable difficulty locating the file), difficulty in obtaining records from former counsel, and difficulty in locating Applicant's telephone call records. Applicant's communications with former counsel were almost exclusively by telephone, so Applicant has no other printed documents to supply.

Attempt to Revive Application, October 2005 to Present

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| 10/27/2005 | B. Weir had telephone conversation with Naveed Iftikhar regarding status of application filed in 2000. Received e-mail copy of application filing receipt. |
| 10/28/2005 | B. Weir e-mailed N. Iftikhar to acknowledge receipt of filing receipt, requested any other relevant information.   |
| 11/11/2005 | Elizabeth Iftikhar engaged Bruce E. Weir, USPTO Reg. No. 48,181, to determine status of her application.   |
| 11/19/2005 | B. Weir filed change of Power of Attorney and Status Inquiry.  |
| 01/24/2006 | B. Weir has received no response to Status Inquiry, called Group 3712 to determine status. Group 3712 states that application never left OIPE,             |

was abandoned in 2002. OIPE confirms abandonment on 5-4-02 because of missing oath and declaration. POA has not been made of record, faxed another copy of POA to USPTO with request for expedited processing. Called E. Iftikhar to discuss probable application status, information needed for petition to revive.

- 01/30/2006 B. Weir had telephone conversation with E. Iftikhar, who says she has received no documents from L. Weinberger regarding application status or prosecution other than filing receipt.
- 02/01/2006 B. Weir called OIPE regarding POA. Still no record of POA, OIPE states that file is in paper format only and was transferred to AU 3700 on January 20. AU 3700 cannot find file, asks that I call back tomorrow.
- 02/02/2006 B. Weir called different numbers within AU 3700 repeatedly without reaching anyone who could answer questions, reviewed fax documents from E. Iftikhar, called E. Iftikhar to update and to inquire about declaration filing date.
- 02/06/2006 B. Weir called TC 3700, left voice mail for AU 3712, spoke to Group Director's office. Group Director believes file is in warehouse, will refer case to file reconstruction specialist for search. Specialist states that a change of address was made for L. Weinberger in August of last year, and that file was sent from AU 3700 to OIPE on 2-3-06. Spoke to OIPE, OIPE will track file and respond.
- 02/08/2006 B. Weir received and reviewed Notice of Missing Parts and Notice of Abandonment from OIPE, drafted application file wrapper request and transmitted to USPTO document services via fax.

02/09/2006      B. Weir called File Information Unit to arrange review of file wrapper, called Office of Petitions to discuss proof requirements for revival based on Unavoidable Abandonment, responded to call from Office of Publications and Records regarding modifications to file wrapper order.

02/10/2006      B. Weir traveled to File Information Unit in Alexandria, VA, reviewed file wrapper.

02/13/2006      B. Weir drafted inquiry letter to Laurence Weinberger regarding circumstances of abandonment.

02/14/2006      B. Weir called E. Iftikhar to provide update and obtain information. Revised letter to L. Weinberger, e-mailed to E. Iftikhar for review.

02/15/2006      B. Weir called E. Iftikhar to discuss letter to L. Weinberger, mailed letter to L. Weinberger.

02/24/2006      B. Weir received call from L. Weinberger in response to letter of 02/15/2006. Weinberger claims to have filed Petition to Revive, will send documentation.

03/13/2006      B. Weir has not received documentation from L. Weinberger, drafted and mailed letter to L. Weinberger reminding him that his response is urgently needed.

03/27/2006      B. Weir called L. Weinberger to inquire about documentation of reasons for delay in filing request to revive application. Reached voice mail.

03/31/2006 B. Weir spoke to L. Weinberger regarding explanation of delay. He claimed to have sent documentation two weeks ago, but will resend response ASAP.

04/03/2006 B. Weir called E. Iftikhar to update on progress and discuss my conversation with L. Weinberger on March 31.

05/08/2006 B. Weir reviewed file and material relating to revival petition. Drafted and mailed letter apprising E. Iftikhar of the status of attempt to revive her patent application.

05/12/2006 B. Weir discussed case status with E. Iftikhar.

05/31/2006 B. Weir e-mailed E. Iftikhar to inquire as to receipt of information from L. Weinberger. E. Iftikhar had recent conversation with Weinberger, who promised to "resend" information. E. Iftikhar believes that Weinberger is in Alaska for three weeks.

06/05/2006 B. Weir reviewed material forwarded by N. Iftikhar from L. Weinberger.

06/08/2006 B. Weir drafted and faxed inquiry letter to Office of Petitions regarding Petition for Revival filed by L. Weinberger.

06/13/2006 B. Weir drafted and transmitted e-mail update to E. Iftikhar.

07/07/2006 B. Weir called Office of Petitions to inquire about status of status inquiry. Petitions had not received the file, recommended contacting OIPE. OIPE had file, said that "someone is working on the case." Does

not yet have inquiry on record. Faxed inquiry a second time on recommendation of Office of Petitions.

- 07/21/2006 B. Weir called USPTO regarding petition status. OIPE acknowledges receipt of petition and status inquiry on June 8. Office of Petitions now has L. Weinberger's petition and will attempt to expedite consideration.
- 07/28/2006 B. Weir called John Gillon in Office of Petitions to check on status. Gillon does not have file, expects to have file soon.
- 07/29/2006 B. Weir received call from John Gillon at Office of Petitions. Gillon finds no record of any fees paid in connection with application and recommends refiling of petition with payment of all fees due. B. Weir left voice mail message with E. Iftikhar requesting callback for discussion.
- 08/01/2006 B. Weir drafted and sent e-mail message to E. Iftikhar describing discussion with Office of Petitions and urgency of moving forward with petition.
- 08/05/2006 B. Weir received and reviewed petition dismissal letter from Office of Petitions.
- 08/06/2006 B. Weir reviewed records and compiled application timeline. Drafted, mailed, and repeatedly attempted to fax letter to L. Weinberger requesting explanation of prosecution delays and evidence of fee payments. L. Weinberger's fax system is non-functional. E-mailed copy of timeline to E. Iftikhar.

08/07/2006 Spoke to E. Iftikhar on telephone regarding information needed for statement of unintentional abandonment.

08/08/2006 Received call from N. Iftikhar, discussed information needed for statement. N. Iftikhar will search for records of interaction with L. Weinberger. Faxed to E. Iftikhar copy of letter mailed and faxed to L. Weinberger.

08/17/2006 E-mailed inquiry to E. Iftikhar regarding progress of records search.

08/29/2006 Received list of phone calls from E. Iftikhar to L. Weinberger between 07/14/2000 and 8/13/2002. N. Iftikhar will search for additional records.

9/13/2006 E-mailed Iftikhars to inquire about additional records related to application.

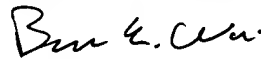
09/15/2006 Received call from L. Weinberger, discussed additional support for reconsideration petition. L. Weinberger will review records and call back on Monday, Sept. 18.

09/22/2006 Called L. Weinberger to inquire about absence of promised evidence supporting Petition to Revive, left voice message. L. Weinberger returned call, said that he had e-mailed information on Wednesday, Sept. 20. Described information, will resend later. Received and reviewed e-mail from L. Weinberger with letter to PTO attached.

09/23/2006 Reviewed evidence, spoke to E. Iftikhar regarding absence of evidence between 2002 and present, she will look for additional evidence. Drafted request for reconsideration of petition to revive.

Although the delay in responding to the abandonment of this application may appear protracted, Applicant has proceeded in as timely a manner as she was able, given her knowledge of patent prosecution and the information provided to her. Applicant earnestly wishes to prosecute her application and therefore respectfully requests that her application be revived under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b).

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce E. Weir

Reg. No 48,191

September 27, 2006

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

## For FY 2006

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ ) 1315

### Complete if Known

Application Number	<u>09/578,168</u>
Filing Date	<u>05/22/2006</u>
First Named Inventor	<u>Elizabeth IFTIKHAR</u>
Examiner Name	<u>N/A</u>
Art Unit	<u>3712</u>
Attorney Docket No.	<u>0198</u>

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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	<u>500</u>
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)  
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)  
Multiple dependent claims

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

Total Claims      Extra Claims      Fee (\$)

- 20 or HP = \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims      Extra Claims      Fee (\$)

- 3 or HP = \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

#### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets      Extra Sheets      Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof      Fee (\$)

- 100 = \_\_\_\_\_ / 50 = \_\_\_\_\_ (round up to a whole number) x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 2051 late filing surcharge, 2453 1.137(6) petition

Fees Paid (\$)

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#### SUBMITTED BY

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Name (Print/Type)	<u>BRUCE E. WEIR</u>	Date	<u>9-27-2006</u>		

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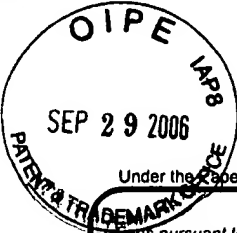
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	<u>500</u>
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
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